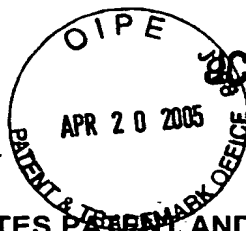


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In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements mailed April 11, 2005, a copy of which is enclosed, Applicants herewith submit the following:

Executed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney of Inventors
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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

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The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
- \$130 Surcharge for providing the oath or declaration later than 30 months from the priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)) is required.

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Total additional fees required for this application is \$130 for a Large Entity:

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First Named Inventor	JUN YAMASHITA
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☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fee Paid (\$)
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	
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Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
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2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES**Fee Description**

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Each independent claim over 3 or, for Reissues, each independent claim more than in the original patent

Multiple dependent claims

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